

THE BIG SEVENTH'S BIG CONGRESSMAN,

Our Congressman, Chester L Long, must be long-headed important committee of Congress, the committee has supervision of more matters bearing directly upon the policy and welfare of the nation than any other, he ber of instances. And in every instance his connection proving wise, been adopted by the committee, The Eagle's readers will not have forgotten his Porto Rican speech, delivered at a time when the Republican party managers were besitating as to the best thing to be done for that people. President McKinley openly declared Long's speech to be the most comprhensive, sound and logical of all the speecehs delivred in Congress upon that question. For weeks past the Congress has been wrangling over a basis for trade relations between Cuba and the United States, the responsibility being with the Committee on Ways and Means to formulate the policy or report such a tariff measure as would prove acceptable included they would show an icrease. The figures for to this country and yet one that would not cripple Cuba, the United Kingdom are, for 1901: \$1,365,047,343; and Yesterday morning's Associated Press report brings the for 1901, \$1,417,985,849, a decrease of about fifty-two milnews that the Kansas Congressman had proposed a plan which in being genuine reciprocity yet one which in fos- four millions in exports; in the elevn months ending with tering advantages for Cuba will not prove burdensome November, France shows an increase of eighteen milto any American interest. Long's proposition in bringing lions, Belgium a decrease of seven millions, and Austriaout a stirring debate was upon the whole received fav- Hungary a decrease of nine millions. orably, the dispatch indicating that it would prove acduction in duties on United States exports to the island, for Belgium, and \$28,600,569 for Austria-Hungary, and to grant Cuba a like reduction of 40 per cent on all her products coming into the United States. This in

of a very vexing question, and subsequently adopted by the House as the policy of the national Republican party and of the administration, the Congressman from the Big Seventh will be bigger than ever.

The Topeka Capital, of yesterday, takes up the matter quite at length and in a very complimentary way to

man Dudley C. Haskell, who served on this committee an example of this one. years ago, Mr. Long is the only Kansas Representative who has ever been a member of the Ways and

in the evolution of tariff legislation.

dence than Mr. Long. He took issue at the start with now averted." prominent and experienced committee members, who, remembering their victory over President McKinley in the Porto Rico case, anticipated an easier triumph over

"Mr. Long has stood firmly by the President in this matter for the sake of Cuba and also for the sake of the principle of reciprocity. Mr. Babcock wants to rearrange tariff schedules not with relation to the great principle of reciprocity or even with relation to protection or revenue; but with relation to trusts and, it is suspected, their unwillingness to contribute liberally to the Cougressional Campaign Committee. This is a dangerous principle to encourage and when once granted no man can foretell to what lengths it may be carried or where it will leave the tariff proposition and its corrolary of recipracity

"To accuse Congressman Long with favoring the Steel Trusts or trusts generally because he is unwilling to go in with Mr. Babcock on a reckless cutting and slashing tariff program, losing sight of the utilty of the tariff for protection and for extension of the foreign markets through reciprocity arrangements, is to do him an obvious injustice, and Kansas Republicans will, we believe, take this view of it."

#### ABSORBED OR OTHERWISE WRECKED.

The Populists who want an office, as also the Populists who remotely expect to get a chance at one, favors the carrying of the Pop party over into the Democratic bodily. The Democrat who wants an office, towith the Democrat who hopes by swallowing the monopoly: It is a peril. Pops the Republicaus may be downed and he thereby get.

When she does get free Miss Stone will feel like cleaning out the newspapers for making such a chestnut. Pops the Republicans may be downed and he thereby get. arms and for making any necessary concessions of her release. be made in a consolidated platform. But it the Democrats to may. The Popu alone, inuninfluence i must cast the die. The body op purty, the majority of the rank and file are any affiliation. The men constituting such ma- remember it. are not in sympathy with Democratic party methods. are that the fight point on at the Topeka conferminority proves too much for the rank and alle of Pop- a little frolicksome bissing

UNCLE SAM HOLDS THE LEAD.

The United States maintained its position as the lead ing exporting nation in the calendar year 1901. The figares of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, just published, show the exports of each of the principal countries of the world at latest available date, and clearly indicate that the exports of the United States were during the year larger than those of any other nation.

While the total for the full canlendar year is only shown in the case of a few of the more important nations. the monthly average for the portion of the year for which figures are available is shown in the case of practically every country. This statement shows that the average monthly exportations in the year 1901 were: United States, \$119.840.233; United Kingdom, \$113.753.937; Germany, \$99,242,000; France, \$66,929,329; Netherlands, \$56,790,923; Austria-Hungary, \$32,012,746; Belgium, \$28, 678,729. For the full calendar year figures of the United States and United Kingdom are available. They show: United States, \$1,438,083; United Kingdom, \$1,365,047,843 The exports of the United States thus exceed by nearly seventy-five millions those of the United Kingdom.

this is due to the fact that the shipments to the Hawailan Islands and Porto Rico were in 1901 no longer classed as exports to foreign countries, and for that reason the export figures on their face show a slight reduction, while in fact if the figures of shipments to the islands were lions. Germany for the nine months ending with September, the latest available figures, shows an increase of

On the import side the United States stands fourth in the list of nations, the imports for the calendar year ceptable to the majority of the House. Long's suggestion averaging \$73,363,421 per month, against \$211,789,669 for is for authorizing the President, when Cuba is prepared the United Kingdom; \$111.646.000 for Germany; \$75.483,or ready to act independently, to grant 40 per cent re- 423 for France; \$65,922,642 for Netherlands; \$34,942,018

DOWN WITH DEFAULTING BANKERS.

Repentance for criminality of that particular brand preserving the sugar and tobacco interests of the island known as bank robbery is quite out of date. Bank wreckwill insure a complete control of her trade in products ers hold themselves proudly aloof from those indicted for other offenses. They have drawn a line of caste between themselves and other legal offenders, and perhaps their Long's proposition will be up for discussion and will effrontry may find some excuse in the fact that the pubprobably have been adopted or rejected by the committee lie in general, and those compelled to suffer through by the time these lines appear in print. If his reciprocity them in particular, have condoned their offenses to such should be accepted by the committee as the best an extent that they have escaped with little or no pun-

Frank C. Andrews of Detroit stands first in the list not less than \$2,000,000 of the funds of the Detroit City Savings Bank, and yet he feels aggrieved because he has been clapped into jail. He declares that he has made larger sums for the bank and is entitled to another chance, and that he can help the institution out of its predicament if set free. He claims that his political po-"Congressman's Long's attitude on the Babcock tariff sition in Detroit enabled him to obtain important frantinkering measure is likely to be misunderstood, unless chises and concession which wil more than cover the his attitude generally on the subject of the tariff is fairly deficiency with which he was charged. The ex-politician Mr. Long is the Kansus member of the chief and gambler believes he has made an attractive bid for the House, whose recommendations are of freedom, but he will discover his mistake. The public greater importance to the business welfare of the country has at last grown thoroughly disgusted with defaulting than those of any other committee. Excepting Congress- bank officials, and shows a commendable desire to make

#### TO INVESTIGATE SOUTHERN LAWS.

"It is obvious that the decision regarding the Southern ath District Representative is not merely a tail-end mem- question which was reached by the caucus of the Republiber of this committee. On the Porto Rican issue he was can Congressmen means the abandonment of any serious the most prominent representative of the committee on effort to reduce the representation in the House and in the floor, with the possible exception of Mr. Doliver, who the electoral college of those states that have adopted Is now in the Senate. He is one of the closest students constitution under which negro suffrage is restricted," of fiscal matters and consequently is a power in debate says the New York Post. "A committee of eleven is to be saw him fellow the stranger into the new most interesting ruins in all Europe store they gathered outside in little the Temple of Serapis, an Egyptian Republican measures. He is a distinguished member of of the several states and their enforcement, find whether the present House and his opinious are carefully formed the right of citizens to vote is denied or abridged, and and exert influence in this committee and in the House, report the results of its investigation. This outcome was "Mr. Long has decided views on the future tariff policy accepted by those Representatives who have advocated of the party. He is opposed to the Babcock principle, more radical action, while it is entirely satisfactory to and consequently opposed to giving the Babcock faction | Congressman Cannon and other Republican leaders who an opening to tear down and build up the turiff polley ac. are earnestly opposed to any attempt at legislation. The cording to its peculiar theories. He is opposed to it inquiry can do no harm and the investigators themselves further because he emphatically favors another principle are likely to have a more realizing sense of the hopelessness of doing anything after they have studied the ques-"In the sparring between the President and some of tion than before. The only danger has been that the the leaders of the Ways and Means Committee on the radicals might commit the party to a sectional agitation issue of fair dealing with Cuba there was no man in the as is deprecated most strongly by Booker Washington House on whom the President leaned with more confi- and other wise leaders of the negroes, and this peril is

PROFITABLE POLICE POSITIONS.

New York must have some great financiers among her President Roosevelt on the question of reciprocity with police force. One police captain whose salary has amounted in all to \$16,500, has just bought a block in the metropolis for \$160,000. In 1900 the captain was indicted on the charge of collusion with certain tenderloin proprietors, but nothing came of it. He now strenuously denies that he has made any money through dishenest practices. It may be that the police captain in question has wealthy relatives, or still more unlikely, that his credit is good. .

Brower, the swimmer who went a half mile in twelve minutes must have had a screw propellor concessed

about his ciothes. it is a Kansan man who is untangling the Cuban diffoulty, and after awhile, when buying flour, Cuba should

Dewor will send his nide to shake hands with France are which shows that Henry can unbend a little.

Chester Long will solve the Cuban muddle all right, be is given the change.

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Today the Prince Henry business begins, it will

Will, perhaps it would be well to clean up the eastern

FIRST PLUG HAT IN BALDVILLE.

Old Perry Bald wasn't content when he had bought up a whole township from discontented settlers in the territory. His ambition was to found a town, and he did it simply by fencing in with barbed wire. At that time the Griswold cattle trail went northeast clear through Bald's land, and he didn't know exactly where to plant his first house. But when he stretched out his ten miles of burbed wire fence the cattle hered were obliged to keep outside, and the first house in Baldville was built at the southeast corner of Balds tract. Bald lived in it all Old Perry Bald wasn't content who

Baldville was built at the southeast corner of Balds tract. Bald lived in it all right, but most of its two stories was given over to a saloon, a gambling-roomand a restaurant.

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The town sprung up as if by magic. It two sprung up as if by magic, it is money. Hamilist came over from Carthago and fought the Capears moon the Indian reservations, the first place to get a drink of red liquor for drovers coming out to ship their herds, and the last place is get drunk on the return to Texas and the southwest. In six months there were more than 600 people in the town, and a town company was orga-Texas and the southwest. In six months there were more than 600 people in the town, and a town company was organized. A general store was built, and Pete Crotty came down from Emporia and started a blacksmith shop. Mrs. Halpin started a blacksmith shop. Mrs. Halpin started a bakery in a tent, and in two months she made so much money that she built a frame store, and the future of Raldville was assured. Then it became the winter rendezyous of the surrounding claim owners and the scene of frequent "shindings" between the visiting cowboys and the farmers of the vicinity. Up to the time when Bald opened his sporting-house Dave McDonakh had managed to live comfortably, quietly and unged to live comfortably, quietly and un-mown with his partner in their dug-out en Polecat creek. But when the snow legan to fly and the idle hours of winter egan to fly and the suic hours of winter regan to hang heavy on his hands be ecame a daily visitor in the growing own. When Dencon Hempstead began o "get up" a church Dave gave him to and, perhaps as a matter of recreation, titended all the meetings. He was a horse thieves laid low, and he had noth-ing to do but drink and play faro or go to church. He did them all with radiant good will, laughing always, till one night a Shawnee trader dropped in at Baid's place to sell some hides. Dave got to frolicking with the Indian, began to

him, especially the women, and the vic-tim—was only an Indian. Perhaps Dave was reassured by his partner, but, any-how, at the end of a week, he rode into town very pale, very subdued-looking and quite silent. If he had only stayed away from the saleon that day there, no from the saloon that day there's no telling whether he might not have lived to become the mayor of Baldville and gone to congress at last. But Dave DID go to the saloon, and by noon was laughing louder and oftener than anybody in the settlement.

St. Faul under indicament, appealed to Caesar and sailed from Caesarae in the He drifted over to Credity's amithy and

ten the killing of the Shawnee; they had the western part of Europe. The recome to mistrust Dave McDonald's mains of the pier at which Paul landed
method of merry-making, and when they can still be seen, and near by is one of the groups and watched through the win-

The stranger "with the hat" had teamed might worship their own god. It condown from Wichita with a wagon load sisted of a square court, inclosed by of merchandise, the first commercial traveler that had struck Baldville. He didn't columns. Most of them were overthrown eler that had struck Baldville. He didn't see that Dave was following him, but went into the rear of the new store to barter with Joe Gogfolk, the proprietor. He was bent on selling his prairie cargo, and Dave, loitering in the fore part of the store, was laughing at the "stove-pipe" as he leaned against the bare counter. "By Jehosophat," laughed Dave gloud as he unshipped his gun, "by Jerusalem, I've got to take one shot at that hat!" meat. The columns are perforated like I've got to take one shot at that hat! meat. The columns are perforated like

came rushing in the front door. He escaped through the corral at the rear, and evan galloping out of Baidville before the town was sure that the man with the hat was dead.

credit is good.

It has been discovered that under the table on which an indiana banker lost \$50,000 shooting craps, there was a magnet. As a matter of fact, there is a magnet under three-fourths of the crap tables in existence.

Speaker Henderson is getting out of patience with his constituency because the constituency will to vote for reciprocity with Cuba. The constituency will take care of him.

Prince Henry is to shake hands with every member of the House. Of course, Wheeler of Kentucky will don't him the privilege in his case.

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The United States stands pledged and has just notified at one time always shoots straighter the first time than the second time.

The Hallish telearaph monopoly is really fighting Marconi's system. It is more than a novelty to the monopoly: It is a peril.

When she does get free Miss Stone will feel like cleaning out the newspapers for making such a chestnut of her release.

A greedy Fish.

anown as the 'hehing frog' says the Westminster Gezette. It was captured of the Edderde forms of worship and of the Eddystone lighthouse in 46 fathoms of water, and was brought into Mymouth by the fishing smack Janet Finnter, of that port. This specture is four feet three inches long and three feet two faches wide. Frequently ten pounds of the increasing the fish are consumed by these cornelous of the neighboring tologous lave made. Never Satisfied

Reputation.

Passinger want ever broke of the lighter family:

Bus Driver - C. Bill turned out find Gree

FROM ROME TO NAPLES.

On the journey from Rome to Nuples

There is scarcely an acre whose soil has not been soaked with blood; scarcely a mountain that was not once crowned with a monastery; scarcely a bay along the shore that wan not lined with villas of Roman magnates during the luxurious age. Several of the sleepy villages were once busy commercial and fluorial centers; some of the fishing namiets once controlled the trade of the East. Cities have risen and fallen, races attended all the meetings. He was a handlets once controlled the trade of the handsome chap, with the eyes and curis that women like, and a way of sitting on his horse that won the men over to him. Nobody knew where he came from, and nobody in those days cared. His skin was white like a woman's, but he could shoot and ride and was a registered freeholder, so they made him first constable of Baldville and began to expect great things of him. But McDonald got a bad start. All that first winter the horse thieves hald low, and he had noth-selves periodically under the rains and of those mysterious processes by which life springs from decay and the alimal and the vegetable kingdom renew thom-selves periodically under the rains and

St. Peter appeared in Italy upon his momentous mission near the point where Ulysses, lashed to the mast, stopped his shoot at his feet, and when he had made the Indian jump as high as the ceiling, amidst the encouraging laughter of the crowd, bade the jumper change his caears against the sweet voices of the siamidst the encouraging laughter of the crowd, bade the jumper change his capers.

"The other way now." roared Dave, "see how low you can drop, I'm going to take a crack at your top-knot."

The Indian, quite terrified, began to squar lower and lower, but at last, his aim unsteadied with laughing, McDonald shot him through the head. When he saw that the Indian was dead he got on his horse and rode back to his dug-out, and stayed there for a week. Nobody went after him, and he might have lived down that killing, for everybody liked him, especially the women, and the vie-hospitality of the people and fastened hospitality of the people and fastened them forever to his faith by performing miracles. Like Moses, he caused fresh water to gush from the thirsty rock. Be fore he came the people had to carry long distances in jars upon their head ut ever since his arrival there has be-

body in the settlement.

He drifted over to Crotty's smithy and swung a sledge for half an hour, laughing and joking with the blacksmith like a boy on a holday. Then he drifted into the bakery and hought some ples, distributing them among four or five small boys who were peeking in at the window. When he got out on the street he saw a stranger crossing over to the new general store, and stopped to laugh. The new-comer was in his shirt-sleeves, but he word, having been founded in prehistoric ages by the earliest invaders of Italy, and at Paul's time being the principal depot for the traffic between Egypt, Daniscus and or part of Europe. The resatiors and merchants from the Orient Where flot to take one shot at that hat!
Where did you get that hat?"
As the stranger turned around he fired point-blank at the hat, and the wearer fell to the floor like a log. Gogfolk ran out from behind the counter and picked him up, and Dave, his smile fading into transport of the most remarkable of natural phenonemon, for worms that can eat stone are scarce.

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of gray, scared stare, came up. They liftod the stranger and laid him on the pine
boards of the counter, but he never
spoke. McDonald, sober new, murmured:
"I didn't think I could miss that dice
founded in imitation of Flato's, and he
"I didn't wait for the crowd that
con."

Fut he didn't wait for the crowd that
came runhing in the front door. "I The pease of men that left Baidville must necessarily have his villa, there are both across the prairie, and there were domen who hoped that their husbands could never catch up with their quarry.

A Greedy Fish.

The Natural History Museum of South
Resination has recently acquired an chormous specimen of the rare and curious specimen of the rare and curious angle-rish (Lophius piscatorius) and the Westminster Gezette. It was captured to mysterious for the Eddystone makes

Applicant-Section the Printed and wife were always quarrellie.

Mrs. Hogger-Indeas: And what were they always quarryling about?

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